

**Motor Vehicle Traffic Safety Facts, DeSoto County, Mississippi****Trend of Fatalities, 1997-2001**

		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Fatality Counts	Total Fatalities	27	27	32	31	31
	Alcohol-Related	10	8	13	9	14
	Single Vehicle	16	19	21	15	23
	Non-Junction	19	21	28	23	27
	Intersection	7	3	4	8	4
	Intersection-Related	0	0	0	0	0
	Speeding Involved	9	4	4	5	10
	Pedestrians	1	3	3	5	2
	Pedalcyclists	0	0	0	0	0
	Large Truck Involved	3	3	7	3	2
	Roadway Departure	18	19	19	17	25
	Passenger Car Occupants	19	15	19	14	14
	Light Truck/Van Occupants	5	8	9	9	13
	Other/Unknown Occpants (not including Motorcycles)	0	1	1	1	1
	Total Occupants (not including Motorcycles)	24	24	29	24	28
	Motorcycle Riders	2	0	0	2	1

Source: Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) Files

**Passenger Vehicle Occupant Deaths (age 5+)
By Restraint Use, 2001**

Fatalities	Total	Restrained	Unrestrained	Unknown
2001	26	10	16	0

**Motorcyclist Rider Deaths (age 5+)
By Helmet Use, 2001**

Fatalities	Total	Helmeted	Unhelmeted	Unknown
2001	1	1	0	0

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Fatalities, Fatality Rates per 100,000 Population and Ranks Within State, 2001

	2001			
	Fatalities	Rank Within State	Fatality Rate	Rank Within State
Total Fatalities	31	2	27.34	49
Alcohol-Related	14	2	12.35	32
Single Vehicle	23	2	20.28	29
Non-Junction	27	2	23.81	40
Intersection	4	9	3.53	51
Intersection-Related	0	0	0	0
Speeding Involved	10	1	8.82	23
Pedestrians	2	7	1.76	31
Pedalcyclists	0	0	0	0
Large Truck Involved	2	17	1.76	45
Roadway Departure	25	1	22.05	40
Passenger Car Occupants	14	3	12.35	48
Light Truck/Van Occupants	13	1	11.46	36
Other/Unknown Occpants (not including Motorcycles)	1	7	0.88	18
Total Occupants (not including Motorcycles)	28	2	24.69	48
Motorcycle Riders	1	13	0.88	21

Rank =1 indicates Highest Number of Fatalities or Fatality Rate in State.